

LOOKING BACKWARD THE HISTORY OF CHRONOLOGY OF THE PAST YEAR

POLITICAL



Jan. 3—People's party convention in St. Louis nominated Thomas E. Watson of Georgia for president, and Samuel Williams of Indiana, for vice-president.

7—In Illinois local election elections 823 townships part of Chicago.

10—David R. Rose elected mayor of Milwaukee, Wis.

11—C. C. Critchfield, Ill., elected mayor of Kansas City, Mo.

12—President Roosevelt was given a 45-minute demonstration in the Republican National convention at Chicago.

13—Secretary of War Wm. H. Taft was nominated for the presidency of the United States in the Republican convention at Chicago, on the first ballot, receiving 50 votes.

14—Congressman J. B. Sherman was nominated for the presidency of the first ballot by the Republican convention.

15—Frank H. Hitchcock elected chairman of the Republican national committee.

16—William Jennings Bryan was nominated for the presidency by the Democratic National convention at Denver, Colo.

17—Thomas E. Watson was formally nominated for the presidency of the Democratic National convention at Denver, Colo.

18—John Worth Kern of Indiana was nominated for the vice-presidency by the Democratic National convention at Denver, Colo.

19—Eugene W. Chaffin of Chicago was nominated for the presidency of the United States, and S. Watkins of Ada, Okla., for the vice-presidency by the National Prohibition convention at Chicago.

20—Wm. H. Taft was formally notified of his nomination at Cincinnati, Ohio.

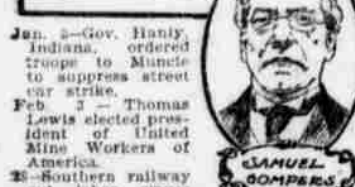
21—Thos. L. Hagen of Massachusetts was nominated for president and J. T. Graves of Georgia, for vice-president, in the first national convention of the Independence party at Chicago.

22—Wm. H. Taft elected president and J. B. Sherman vice-president of the United States, on the Republican ticket, by an electoral vote of 257, defeating William Jennings Bryan and J. W. Kern, Democratic candidates for president and vice-president, respectively.

23—Chas. A. Deane re-elected governor of Illinois. Thos. A. Marshall elected governor of Indiana.

24—Fred M. Warner re-elected governor of Michigan. James A. Davidson re-elected governor of Wisconsin. Charles C. Hughes re-elected governor of New York.

INDUSTRIAL



Jan. 2—Gov. Hanly, Indiana, ordered troops to Muncie to suppress a street car strike.

Feb. 3—Thomas Lewis elected president of the United Mine Workers of America.

4—Southern railway cut labor wages ten per cent., effective Mar. 1.

Mar. 2—Coal operators in Pittsburgh district commenced preparations for strike.

Apr. 1—100 St. Louis brewery employees struck for higher wages.

Apr. 1—Pending wage settlement, 50,000 miners suspended work in American mines.

May 1—T. L. Lewis took up duties as minister, president and invited operators to wage scale conference.

6—Six hundred Minneapolis, Minn., paper-hangers and painters struck for closed shop.

7—Importation of strike breakers from St. Louis to work on Pensacola, Fla., street railway caused rioting, 15 non-union men being injured.

12—Governor of Florida sent entire militia body to Pensacola.

17—Central competitive field of operators and miners reached wage agreement of 20 cents a ton-old agreement; 10,000 resumed work.

May 18—Eight hundred Kansas City, Mo., brewery workers struck.

17—Street car strike rioting in Cleveland, O., ceased.

20—W. R. Stone, Cleveland, O., elected grand chief engineer of International Engineers' Brotherhood.

Nov. 3—Samuel Gompers re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor at Denver, Colo.

Dec. 23—William H. Newman resigned as president of New York Central.

23—President Samuel Gompers of American Federation of Labor sent to one year in jail, Vice-president J. J. Mitchell to nine months and Secretary Frank Morrison to six months, in connection with alleged stock exchange conspiracy, by circuit court of District of Columbia.

Feb. 1—Harry K. Thaw was found not guilty of Stanford White murder on insanity grounds; committed to insane asylum.

6—Former Gov. Hargis of Kentucky was shot and killed by his son, Beah Hargis.

21—Mrs. Dora McDonald found not guilty of murder of Webster Garrison.

Mar. 2—Chief of Police Shippy of Chicago was killed by Shippy's son shot down.

6—Two alleged negro murderers were lynched near Hawkinsville, Ga.

9—California supreme court released Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco, finding graft charges by circuit court of District of Columbia.

10—Four negroes lynched at Caldwell, Idaho, by mob.

11—Harry Orchard at Caldwell, Idaho, sentenced to death, but clemency was recommended.

Union square, New York, killing himself and companion and injuring four policemen.

May 5—Five bodies of persons supposed murdered by Mrs. Belle Gunness dug up at ruins of her home at La Porte, Ind., where she and her two children were thought to have died in burning home.

6—Four more bodies found on Gunness farm at La Porte, Ind.

Jun. 13—Mrs. Daniel Cooper, Cadillac, Mich., killed husband, five children and self. Her husband, Kentucky, pardoned Caleb Powers and James Howard, convicted of complicity in killing of William Goebel.

22—Nine negroes lynched and shot and killed in Sabine county, Tenn., as result of two murders.

Jul. 16—Guillette, Okla., murderer of Father Leo Heintz at Denver, was executed at Canon City, Colo.

Aug. 1—Four negroes lynched at Russellville, Ky., for praising killing of white man.

14—Springfield, Ill., mob burned negro homes, killed two persons and ruled the city as result of removal of negro executive of Mrs. Richardson.

15—Troops rushed to Springfield, Ill.; William D. Longenecker lynched by mob, several shot.

16—Mobs at Springfield, Ill., fired on troops; white man slain.

Nov. 3—Former United States Sen. Edward W. Carmack was shot and killed by Robert C. Cooper, a young attorney, at Nashville, Tenn., in street duel.

24—Three negroes arrested for murder, taken from Tiptonville, Tenn., jail and executed in accordance with pre-arranged program.

26—Ray Lamphere, charged with murder of Mrs. Belle Gunness, was found guilty of arson and sentenced to from 2 to 21 years in state prison, by Laporte, Ind., jury.

18—Abe Ruef, former San Francisco political boss, convicted of bribery. Charles E. Davis found not guilty of murder of Dr. Frederick Rustin.

16—H. Agar, wanted at Princeton, Ind., for \$25,000 alleged forgeries, arrested at Hartington, Tex.

17—John H. Hagedorn, alleged murderer, lynched at Monticello, Ky.

30—Robbers raided Caracas, La., bank, securing \$2,000.

GOVERNMENT



Jan. 2—Curtis Guild, Jr., was inaugurated as governor of Massachusetts.

21—Massachusetts legislature elected John Sharp Williams to United States senate, term to begin March 4, 1911.

Former Sen. Wetmore elected to United States senate by Rhode Island legislature.

Feb. 23—Gov. Bradley (Ky.) elected to United States senate to succeed J. B. McCreary.

Mar. 6—Gary elected United States senator by joint South Carolina legislative assembly.

26—Senate passed bill giving 16-20 ton vessels \$1 a mile between this country, South America, Philippines, Australia, China and Japan.

27—C. E. Littlefield (Mo.) resigned as congressman.

28—President Roosevelt sent special message to congress, relating to child-employment, liability and injunction in labor cases, tariff and other laws.

John W. Stewart (Vt.) appointed to fill senate vacancy caused by death of Redfield Proctor.

German government declined to receive D. J. Hill as ambassador to Germany.

27—Hall Milton (Fla.) appointed to succeed late Senator Bryan.

28—Germany announced acceptance of D. J. Hill as ambassador to Germany.

31—President Roosevelt accepted resignation of Ambassador to Japan.

Apr. 1—Edwin Norris inaugurated governor of Minnesota.

2—Agriculture appropriation bill of \$11,500,000 passed house of representatives.

3—Sterling employers' liability bill passed house of representatives.

10—Senator Milton sworn in to succeed late Senator Stewart.

21—President Roosevelt signed special message asking suppression of anarchy.

21—President Roosevelt signed employers' liability bill.

17—President Roosevelt in special message urged child labor law.

May 14—Vreeland currency bill passed house.

11—In trying to kill emergency currency bill La Follette talked 15 hours.

20—Congress adjourned after senate passed emergency currency bill.

Jun. 13—President Roosevelt accepted Secretary of War Taft's resignation, appointing Luke E. Wright his successor.

20—Secretary Rieker, in charge of Venezuelan diplomatic affairs, left Caracas as result of Castro disputes.

20—Luke Wright took up office of secretary of war, vice Taft, resigned.

21—Venezuela severed relations with United States by recalling diplomatic envoy, Sen. Velaz-Gutierrez.

Nov. 15—Secretary of Navy Victor H. Blackwell resigned. Truman H. Nelson named as successor.

24—Former Gov. Albert B. Cummins elected United States senator from Iowa, to fill out term of late Senator W. B. Allison.

27—United States and Japan signed treaty agreeing to respect each other's rights in Pacific, defining mutual attitude toward China.

Dec. 1—Both houses of congress convened for second session of 1911th congress.

Mar. 4—At Collinswood, O., 174 school children perished as result of fire in primary school, and attendance 200,000.

15—At Hanna, Wyo., 70 killed by explosion in Union Pacific railroad mine.

Apr. 1—In Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky floods caused loss of seven lives and did \$500,000 damage to property.

12—At Chelsea, Mass., 12 persons killed; injured 15, which caused loss of \$500,000; 1,500 families rendered homeless.

14—Three prairie fires in South Dakota destroyed farm property valued at \$400,000.

20—Tornadoes in Texas, South Dakota and Nebraska caused six deaths and much destruction of property.

24—In Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama tornadoes, 550 lives lost, 46 towns badly wrecked; property loss \$12,000,000.

May 11—Tornadoes in Henry county, Ill., Madison, Wis., Oklahoma and Texas, killed 15 persons and caused great property loss.

12—Tornado which visited Bellevue, Springfield, Louisville, Richmond and St. Louis killed 12 persons.

15—Tornado wrecked Gilliam, La., killing eight.

16—Northern and Central Texas flooded caused death of 12 persons.

27—Alfalfa county, Okla., tornado killed 15 persons and hundreds of head of cattle.

Aug. 2—Furnace, Coal Creek and Michael, R. C., wiped out by prairie fire; loss, \$100,000, and caused 4 deaths.

25—At Hallsville, Okla., 30 miners perished when fire destroyed hoisting shaft while winding.

Sep. 17—Lieut. Thomas E. Sutcliffe killed and Orville Wright seriously injured by falling aeroplane.

18—At Michigan, 45 killed in forest fire.

Nov. 25—At Marianna, Fla., coal mine, 170 miners perished as result of terrific explosion.

Dec. 15—Premature explosion of dynamite on Panama canal, killed 21.

FINANCIAL



Jan. 2—State Bank, Hartford, Conn., closed doors.

4—Four big New York banks in one day forced into receivership.

10—Western railroad placed in hands of receivers.

11—Bank and Trust Co., Dallas, Tex., largest Texas saving bank, placed in receiver's hands.

18—John R. Walsh, president Chicago National bank and several railroads, convicted of misappropriation of funds.

21—Capital State Bank, Boise, Idaho, suspended.

22—Traders and Mechanics' Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., closed doors.

23—National Bank of North America, New York, closed for liquidation, by order of government.

26—New Amsterdam National bank, capital \$1,000,000, and Mechanics and Trade bank, both of New York, taken in charge by controller of currency.

31—Oriental Bank of New York closed business.

Feb. 13—W. B. Ridgely, controller of currency, accepted presidency of reorganized National Bank of Commerce, Kansas City.

26—International and Great Northern Railroad Co., a Gould line, placed in receiver's hands.

27—Financiers E. R. Thomas and O. F. Thomas indicted on charge of misappropriation of funds of Provident Savings Bank, Cincinnati.

Mar. 13—John R. Walsh denied new trial; sentenced to five years in federal prison.

16—People's National bank, Aspin, Col., closed.

Apr. 13—Pike County Bank and Trust Co., Missouri City, Miss., placed in receiver's hands.

15—Bank of Wausau, Wausau, O., closed doors.

24—T. A. McIntyre & Co. with houses in New York, failed for \$1,000,000.

May 8—Euclid Avenue Trust Co., Cleveland, O., assigned.

10—First National bank, and American Savings bank, Cleveland, O., closed their doors.

23—G. W. MacMillan & Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., closed.

Jun. 3—Kosciusko Company bank, Warsaw, Ind., closed by state receiver.

12—First National bank, Denver, Colo., closed doors.

Jul. 14—National Deposit bank, Philadelphia, Pa., closed by controller of currency.

17—Farmers and Merchants' Banking Co., Cleveland, O., failed.

24—States president at Princeton, N. J., due to heart trouble and complications.

Aug. 7—First National bank, Belle Plaine, Minn., closed by order controller of currency; bank was insolvent.

24—A. O. Brown & Co., one of largest New York brokerage firms, failed; liabilities over \$1,000,000.

Sep. 10—A. B. Smith, largest fish house in country, forced into receiver's hands.

20—Union National bank, Somerville, Pa., closed by government.

Nov. 5—Charles W. Morse and Alfred H. Curtis, great financiers, found guilty of embezzlement of funds and falsifying books of National Bank of America, New York.

6—J. W. Morse sentenced to 15 years; Curtis given liberty on suspended sentence.

23—Midland bank of Eldred, Pa., suspended by state receiver.

Dec. 7—National exchange bank at Springfield, Mo., closed; excitement caused by efforts of O. O. Oldham, president of State Savings bank, to shoot President H. B. McDaniel, of Union National bank.

11—Springport, Mich., State Savings bank closed by bank examiner.

16—Somerset, N. H., First National bank closed following discovery of shortage of funds.

23—Thomas F. Ryan announced retirement from finance.

25—Henry W. Poor, New York broker, assigned for creditors.

Jan. 10—Parker building in New York destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

17—McNeil & Higgins grocery house destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

At New Orleans, loss, \$400,000.

Two Atlanta, Ga., business buildings destroyed; loss, \$1,200,000.

11—Camp Cook, S. D., destroyed; loss, \$50,000.

15—Omaha Packing Co., South Omaha, Neb., destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

16—Dutch Morris packing plant burned at Kansas City, Kan.; loss, \$350,000.

25—Business section of Three Rivers, Que., destroyed; loss, \$1,250,000.

27—Block of N. Y. buildings destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

28—Three oil refineries destroyed as result of lightning in western and northern Pennsylvania; loss, \$500,000.

29—Duluth, Minn., docks and sheds destroyed; loss, \$1,500,000.

Jul. 1—Boston harbor front destroyed; loss, \$1,500,000.

21—Cottonwood, Idaho, destroyed; loss, \$200,000.

21—Philadelphia pier and merchandise destroyed; loss, \$400,000.

Aug. 3—Armour elevators and Burlington railroad property at Chicago, destroyed; loss, \$2,500,000.

14—In New York Central yards, East Buffalo, N. Y.; loss, \$1,000,000.

15—Block of N. Y. buildings section sustained \$2,000,000 damage. Darby, Mont., almost completely destroyed.

Sep. 4—Lawville, Nev., largely destroyed; loss, \$750,000.

6—Armour wool house, Chicago's stock yards, destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

11—Cottonwood, Idaho, cement plant destroyed; loss, \$2,000,000.

Oct. 4—Pittsburg, Pa., plate glass company works damaged, \$500,000.

12—Block of N. Y. buildings, \$200,000.

21—Denver Col., mills destroyed; loss, \$450,000.

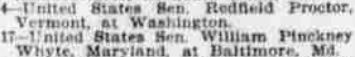
Nov. 1—Philadelphia, Pa., lumber yards destroyed; loss, \$750,000.

17—Indianapolis, Ind., cotton warehouses destroyed; loss, \$500,000.

18—Block of N. Y. buildings, \$200,000.

22—Ravine, Okla., business section wiped out; loss, \$25,000.

PERSONAL



Jan. 3—Dr. Nicholas Senn, foremost American surgeon, poet and literary critic, at New York, aged 75.

10—Charles Emory Smith, editor Philadelphia Press, former postmaster-general and former minister to Russia, at Philadelphia, aged 62.

20—Morris J. Jansup, retired banker, at New York.

23—Alexander Alexander McDowell, composer, at New York, aged 46.

26—Miss Louise de la Ramée, writer, at Florence, Italy, aged 81.

27—Francis Marie Benjamin, cardinal and archbishop of Paris, at Paris, aged 69.

28—Gen. C. H. Spencer, at Princeton, N. J., aged 71.

Feb. 2—Dennis O'Sullivan, Irish actor, at Columbus, O.

29—Senator Arthur C. Latimer of South Carolina, at Washington, D. C.

21—C. S. Noves, editor Washington Star, at Pasadena, Cal., aged 82.

Mar. 3—John D. Rockefeller, millionaire oil manufacturer, at South Bend, Ind.

4—United States Sen. Redfield Proctor, Vermont, at Washington, D. C.

17—United States Sen. William Pittkin Whyte, Maryland, at Baltimore, Md.

20—Rev. Charles H. Fowler, Methodist minister, at New York, aged 71.

21—United States Sen. Wm. James Bryan, Florida, at Washington, D. C.

24—Duke of Devonshire, Spencer Compton, at London, aged 67.

Apr. 7—Congressman A. L. Brick, Indiana, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Attorney Charles Quarles at Milwaukee.

12—Gen. B. M. Cutcheon, Michigan congressman, at Ypsilanti, Mich., aged 72.

16—John R. Walsh, president Chicago National bank, at New York, aged 72.

26—Former United States Sen. J. N. Camden, West Virginia, at Baltimore, Md.

May 13—Rear Admiral Charles M. Rice, engineer-in-chief of navy, at Washington, D. C.

May 15—Former Congressman J. H. Rowell, Illinois, at Bloomington, Ill.

27—Gov. John Sparks, Nevada, at Carson City, Nev.

27—Rear Admiral A. S. Crowinshield, retired, at Philadelphia.

28—Lieut. Gen. Stephen Lee, commander-in-chief United Confederate Veterans, at Vicksburg, Miss.

Jun. 1—Former United States Sen. James H. McPherson, at Washington, D. C., aged 80.

10—Oliver H. P. Belmont, banker and politician, at Hempstead, L. I.

12—Former Supreme Court Judge J. V. Wright, at Washington, aged 80.

13—Congressman A. A. Wiley, Alabama, at Washington, D. C.

26—Ex-President W. B. Leeds, of Rock Island railway, at Paris.

24—Grover Cleveland, twice United States president, at Princeton, N. J., due to heart trouble and complications.

Aug. 7—First National bank, Belle Plaine, Minn., closed by order controller of currency; bank was insolvent.

Jul. 2—Mural Halstead, journalist, at Cincinnati, O., aged 72.

24—Joel Chandler Harris, known as "Uncle Remus," at Atlanta, Ga.

11—At Vaadrell, Can., 9 by powder explosion.

12—At Providence, R. I., 6 in starch factory explosion.

15—At West Toledo, O., 7 in railroad collision.

21—At Pinole, Cal., 23 by explosion of dynamite.

22—At Spring Valley, N. Y., 7 in collision between wagon and railroad train.

Mar. 15—At Natchez, Miss., 5 by gas explosion.

Apr. 22—Near Laquira, Pa., 9 in train wreck.

At Glasworth, Pa., 4 in coal mine explosion.